



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF:

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
HEADQUARTERS, U.S. ARMY ALASKA  
600 RICHARDSON DRIVE # 5000  
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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Tire Chains (DOL/DCSLOG Policy Number 4-14)

1. The policy for the use of tire chains for nontactical vehicles (NTVs) is as follows:
  - a. Road Condition Green: Roads are clear and dry. Tire chains will not be installed on NTVs.
  - b. Road Condition Amber: Some roads may be slippery and visibility may be reduced. Use of tire chains will be determined by the official user or the unit commander.
  - c. Road Condition Red: All roads are made hazardous by snow, ice, or greatly reduced visibility. Tire chains are required on NTVs operating under red road conditions. Only unit commanders or directors may make exceptions on the use of tire chains. If road conditions become red due to only poor visibility, a determination will be made by the local Motor Transport Officer if chains are required.
  - d. Exceptions: Commanders or Directors may require vehicles being operated on Arctic Valley Road, Fort Richardson, Alaska, to be equipped with tire chains during the winter months regardless of road conditions.
2. Vehicles operating in outlying areas and on unimproved roads should be equipped with tire chains as conditions require, but not less than those requirements listed above.
3. If road conditions improve and it is deemed unnecessary to use tire chains, they must be removed to prevent damage to the vehicle and chains.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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